

## Cloze Paragraph: The Farmer in the Dell

**Directions: Read the paragraph and choose the right word to fill in the blank.**

a	cow	cow	dell	derry-o
farmer	nurse	takes	the	the

The farmer in the dell, the farmer in the 1.\_\_\_\_\_,  
Hi-ho, the derry-o, the farmer in the dell.

The 2.\_\_\_\_\_ takes a wife, the farmer takes a wife,  
Hi-ho, 3.\_\_\_\_\_ derry-o, the farmer takes a wife.

The wife takes 4.\_\_\_\_ child, the wife takes a child,  
Hi-ho, the derry-o, 5.\_\_\_\_\_ wife takes a child.

The child 6.\_\_\_\_\_ a nurse, the child takes a nurse,  
Hi-ho, the 7.\_\_\_\_\_, the child takes a nurse.

The nurse takes a 8.\_\_\_\_\_, the nurse takes a cow,  
Hi-ho, the derry-o, the 9.\_\_\_\_\_ takes a cow.

The cow takes a dog, the 10.\_\_\_\_\_ takes a dog,  
Hi-ho, the derry-o, the cow takes a dog.

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1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_
5. \_\_\_\_\_
6. \_\_\_\_\_
7. \_\_\_\_\_
8. \_\_\_\_\_
9. \_\_\_\_\_
10. \_\_\_\_\_

### **Questions:**

1. **A famer, a wife, a child, a nurse, and a cow are mentioned. What else would live on a farm?**
2. **What kind of food can we get from a farm?**

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### Answer Key

The farmer in the dell, the farmer in the dell,  
Hi-ho, the derry-o, the farmer in the dell.

The farmer takes a wife, the farmer takes a wife,  
Hi-ho, the derry-o, the farmer takes a wife.

The wife takes a child, the wife takes a child,  
Hi-ho, the derry-o, the wife takes a child.

The child takes a nurse, the child takes a nurse,  
Hi-ho, the derry-o, the child takes a nurse.

The nurse takes a cow, the nurse takes a cow,  
Hi-ho, the derry-o, the nurse takes a cow.

The cow takes a dog, the cow takes a dog,  
Hi-ho, the derry-o, the cow takes a dog.

Answers:

1. dell
2. farmer
3. the
4. a
5. the
6. takes
7. derry-o
8. cow
9. nurse
10. cow